

## Screening for Elder Abuse and Neglect \*

Has anyone at home ever hurt you? Does anyone currently hurt you?

Has anyone ever touched you without your consent? Does anyone currently touch you without your consent?

Has anyone ever made you do things you did not want to do? Does anyone currently make you do things you do not want to do?

Has anyone taken anything that was yours without asking? Does anyone currently take anything that is yours without asking?

Has anyone ever scolded you or threatened you? Does someone currently scold you or threaten you?

Have you ever signed any documents that you did not understand? Have you recently signed any documents that you did not understand?

Are you afraid of anyone at home?

Are you alone a lot?

Has anyone ever failed to help you take care of yourself when you needed help? Does someone currently fail to help you take care of yourself when you need help?

*\*This is not a diagnostic tool, but is a place to start the conversation with older adults.*

Source: Adapted from Ansell, P. & Breckman, R. (1988). *Elder mistreatment guidelines for health care professionals: Detection, assessment, and intervention*. New York: Mount Sinai/Victim Services Agency.